

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Canceled).
2. (Currently amended) Method according to claim 6 †, wherein the additional water volume †† remains in the pipe for a period of 2 to 3 min.
3. (Currently amended) Method according to claim 6 †, wherein the pipe is enlarged at the outer diameter by .2 to .3% ~~2 to 3 per thousand~~.
4. (Currently amended) Method according to claim 6 †, wherein the additional water volume †† which is taken into consideration as an intended anintended value is determined by filling in a step by step manner an additional water volume †† into a test pipe † until the changes reach a previously determined limit value.

5. (Canceled) .

6. (New) A method for adjusting specific quality characteristics and/or properties of steel pipe by pressure testing, comprising the steps of:

pumping water into an interior of the steel pipe;

conducting a hydrostatic pressure test pursuant to DIN EN 10208 Part 2 using the pumped-in water; and

pumping a predetermined additional volume of water into the steel pipe ongoing from the pressure test so that the steel pipe is loaded slightly in the plastic range.

7. (New) Method according to claim 6, wherein the steel pipe is for pipelines for combustible media.